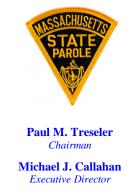


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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

Under the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A and M.G.L. c. 27, § 5, the Parole Board will conduct a public hearing and comment period to gather comments and information concerning the proposed rescission of 120 CMR 902: Pardon of Offenses.

The purpose of 120 CMR 902 is to outline the process for the Advisory Board of Pardons to make a recommendation to the Governor concerning the pardon of an offense appearing on an individual's criminal record. The current regulation outlines the process by which pardon applications are considered by the Governor so all involved parties can be clear about what is involved in making a request and what is considered by the Parole Board and Governor before a decision is rendered. The proposed rescission of 120 CMR 902 is to streamline the existing and repetitive regulations regarding the Executive Clemency process and incorporate all pertinent language into one regulation - 120 CMR 900. Information about the hearing process, notice of the hearing, investigatory information and refiling of a pardon petition will be included in the revised 120 CMR 900.

The public hearing concerning rescission of 120 CMR 902 will be held on August 18, 2016, from 9:00am to 1:00pm, at the McCormack State Office Building, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108. All persons desiring to be heard on this matter should appear at the designated time and place.

Public comments will be accepted through Friday, August 19, 2016 at 5:00pm. Please send any comments to Gloriann Moroney, General Counsel, Massachusetts Parole Board, 12 Mercer Road, Natick MA, 01760 or to <a href="mailto:gloriann.moroney@state.ma.us">gloriann.moroney@state.ma.us</a>.